

## DEPARTMENT OF EXTERNAL AFFAIRS

## CANADA

## PROTOCOL OF EXCHANGE

The undersigned, having met together for the purpose of exchanging the Instruments of Ratification of the Niagara Diversion Treaty between Canada and the United States of America, concerning uses of the waters of the Niagara River, signed at Washington on February 27, 1950 and the respective Instruments of Ratification of the aforesaid Treaty having been carefully compared, it is observed that the United States Instrument of Ratification contains the following reservation:

"The United States on its part expressly reserves the right to provide by Act of Congress for re-development, for the public use and benefit, of the United States' share of the waters of the Niagara River made available by the provisions of the Treaty, and no project for re-development of the United States' share of such waters shall be undertaken until it be specifically authorized by Act of Congress."

Canada accepts the above-mentioned reservation because its provisions relate only to the internal application of the treaty within the United States and do not affect Canada's rights or obligations under the Treaty.

Therefore, the Instruments of Ratification found to be conformable in all other respects, the said Exchange took place this day in the usual form.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF they have signed the present Protocol of Exchange and have affixed thereto their seals.

DONE at Ottawa, this 10th day of October, 1950.

*For Canada*

(Seal)

LOUIS ST-LAURENT

*For the United States of America*

(Seal)

STANLEY WOODWARD